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## Genetic Polymorphism of Glucagon-Like Peptide 1 Receptor in Korean Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus

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## - Abstract -

**Background:** Glucagon-like peptide-1 (GLP-1) is a hormone secreted by intestinal L-cells, which stimulates insulin secretion from  $\beta$  cells. The biological action of GLP-1 is mediated by the glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor (GLP-1R), which is 463 amino acids in size, with 7 transmembrane domains. Because GLP-1 plays an important modulatory role in regulating glucose-stimulated insulin, the GLP-1R could be a candidate gene contributing to impaired  $\beta$ -cell function and the development of this genetically heterogeneous disorder. Recently, four GLP-1R SNPs were identified in Caucasian diabetic individuals, and for the SNP at the Leu-260Phe (A/C) position, statistically significant differences were detected in the distribution of genotypes between type 2 diabetic and nondiabetic subjects. We replicated the genetic association between the SNP at the leu260Phe (A/C) position in the GLP-1R gene and Korean type 2 diabetes mellitus.

**Methods:** The Leu260Phe polymorphism in the GLP-1R gene was determined using a PCR-RFLP method (the genotypes were determined according to the results of polymerase chain reaction products after digestion and the digestive enzyme was *Bbs*I) in 419 Korean type 2 diabetic patients and 345 nondiabetic subjects.

**Results:** In contrast to the Caucasian report, there was no significant difference in the frequencies of alleles, and genotypes between Korean type 2 diabetic and nondiabetic subjects. When analyzed according to gender, BMI and age of onset, the genotype distribution of type 2 diabetic subjects was not significantly different from nondiabetic subjects.

**Conclusion:** The Leu260Phe polymorphism in the GLP-1R gene was not associated with type 2 diabetes mellitus, and we were unable to replicate the genetic association between this polymorphism and Korean type 2 diabetes mellitus (*J Kor Diabetes Assoc* 29:30 ~ 38, 2005).

**Key Words:** Type 2 diabetes mellitus, Glucagon-like peptide 1 receptor, Single nucleotide polymorphism

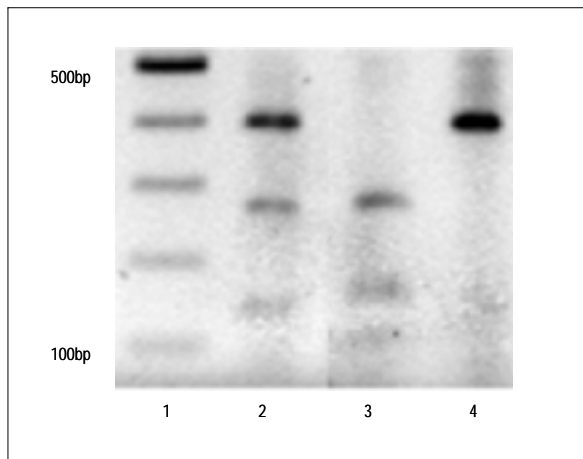


**Table 1.** Clinical Characteristics of Korean Subjects

	Non-diabetes (n = 345)	Diabetes (n = 419)	<i>P</i>
Sex (M : F)	157 : 187	191 : 226	ns
Age (years)	63 ± 6	52 ± 11	<i>P</i> < 0.05
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	23.62 ± 2.94	24.55 ± 3.91	<i>P</i> < 0.05
HbA <sub>1c</sub> (%)		8.07 ± 1.70	
HOMA - IR		4.36 ± 5.20	
Systolic blood Pressure (mmHg)	130 ± 18	130 ± 22	ns
Diastolic blood pressure (mmHg)	80 ± 11	79 ± 13	ns
Fasting blood glucose (mmol/L)	5.24 ± 0.49	7.95 ± 2.29	<i>P</i> < 0.05
Cholesterol (mmol/L)	5.01 ± 0.84	5.14 ± 1.11	ns
Triglyceride (mmol/L)	1.38 ± 0.64	1.94 ± 1.17	<i>P</i> < 0.05
HDL - cholesterol (mmol/L)	12.06 ± 3.19	11.39 ± 4.29	<i>P</i> < 0.05
LDL - cholesterol (mmol/L)	3.14 ± 0.82	3.14 ± 0.94	ns

Data are mean ± SD. ns ; non-significant.

HOMA - IR, homeostasis model assessment for insulin resistance.



**Fig. 2.** PCR-Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphism of the GLP-1 Receptor exon 7 Leu260Phe (A/C). The expected product sizes are: the normal homozygote, 398 bp; the A260C heterozygote, 398, 235, and 163 bp; and the A260C homozygote, 235, and 163 bp, respectively. lane 1, molecular size marker (100bp); lane 2, heterozygote (A/C); lane 3, A260C variant type homozygote (C/C); lane 4, wild type homozygote (A/A)

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homeostasis model assessment

<sup>21)</sup> (HOMA - IR)

HOMA IR = [fasting insulin (μU/mL) fasting glucose  
(mmol/ L)]/22.5

2) GLP-1R

(Fig. 1)

3) GLP-1R

Nagase <sup>20)</sup>

Leu260Phe

GLP-1R

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GLP-1R

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Leu260Phe

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419 genomic DNA , (for -  
ward primer, 5'-CAGATAAAGTCCTTAGCACTAGCCC-3')

(reverse primer, 5'-CAAGTACCAC-CATGTTAGAAGAGGGGTC-3')

395 (bp)

95 5 가 61 30 ,

72 1 가 35

DNA 72 10

GLP1R Leu260Phe

(restriction fragment length polymorphism)

DNA *Bbs*I (New England Biolabs, USA)

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nucleotide가 A C DNA GLP-1R Leu260Phe

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가 Leu260Phe (C/C) P= 0.41, Table 2).

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SPSS (version 10.0)

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(Table 3).

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GLP-1R Leu260Phe 40

**Table 2.** Comparison of Allelic and Genotypic Distribution of GLP-1 Receptor Leu260Phe Polymorphism

Subjects	Genotypes [n (%)]			P	Alleles [n (%)]		P
	A/A	A/C	C/C		A	C	
Korean diabetes	113 (27.0)	200 (47.7)	106 (25.3)	0.32	427 (51.0)	411 (49.0)	0.41
Korean non-diabetes	78 (22.6)	181 (52.5)	86 (24.9)		337 (48.8)	353 (51.2)	

Chi-square test was used for the statistical analysis.



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가 <sup>24)</sup> GLP-1 가 interaction), GLP1R 가

가 Nagase <sup>20)</sup> , 가

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, exon 7 Leu260Phe

2 가

( $P=0.02$ ). GLP-1R

exon 7 Leu 260Phe

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가 ( $P=0.41$ ). GLP-1R

가 Leu260 Phe

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GLP-1R Leu260 Phe

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